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December 30, 2003

Mr. John Sands
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United States Department of Energy
P.O. Box 550, MSIN: A3-04
Richland, Washington 99352

Dear Mr. Sands:

Re: "Remedial Investigation Work Plan Project Draft Outline: Overview and Approach
for the 100 and 300 Area Component of the River Corridor Baseline Risk Assessment"

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) acknowledges receiving a copy of the
"Remedial Investigation Work Plan Project Draft Outline: Overview and Approach for the 100 and
300 Area Component of the River Corridor Baseline Risk Assessment". Ecology appreciates the
opportunity to review this outline.

Ecology understands that this is a secondary document, and that the United States Environmental
Protection Agency and Ecology are co-lead regulatory agencies for this effort. Ecology has the
option to provide comments or to take no action on review of a secondary document, in accordance
with Section 9.2.3 of the Tri-Party Agreement. We are exercising our option not to provide
comments because: (a) the outline appears to conform to regulatory guidance and (b) the Columbia
River component of the River Corridor Risk Assessment is pending development. Ecology will
provide any comments on the 100 and 300 Area component once we receive an outline for the
Columbia River component.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509) 736-3029.

Sincerely,

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